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PO BOX 1571 MOCA, PR. 00676 Mr. Peter Doyle, Chief AM Branch Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St. SW Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Doyle:

I am the Mayor of Moca, Puerto Rico since 2001. However, I write to you as a concerned private citizen faced with the FCC's intention of cancelling WAPA Radio's license of its AM synchronous booster W13XSO on May 7, 2017. This would deprive the 40,000 residents of Moca from enjoying news/talk programming that is informative and entertaining.

WAPA currently has a powerful signal that covers the whole Island thanks to its AM synchronous system on 1260 Khz. and 680 Khz. It would be a great loss for the people of Moca and the Western part of Puerto Rico if WAPA lost its signal.

For the last 14 years WAPA has been crucial during hurricane emergencies and flooding by providing vital information to the public thus, preventing extensive loss of lives and property. WAPA also provides a forum for the people to voice their grievances and seek help to have their concerns addressed. Furthermore, this radio station allows the people to give their opinions on different issues. If it ceases to broadcast, it would be a severe blow to our community.

Therefore, I urge you to reconsider FCC's decision to cancel WAPA's license of its AM synchronous booster W13XSO.

Very truly yours,

Jose E. Aviles-Santiago

Mayor